

HOUSE No. 2639

By Ms. Balser of Newton, (by request), petition of Dorothy Raymond for legislation to require medical examinations for certain persons whose duties involve the handling of food. Public Health.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Five.

AN ACT REQUIRING MEDICAL EXAMINATION OF PERSON HANDLING FOOD.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Section 305B of Chapter 94 of the General Laws, as appearing
2 in the 2002 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the
3 first sentence and inserting in place thereof the following sen-
4 tence:—
5 The commission of public health shall require any person
6 working in an establishment engaged wholly or in part in the busi-
7 ness of producing, manufacturing, processing, storing or offering
8 or exposing for sale any article of food and whose duties actually
9 involved the handling of food during such production, manufac-
10 ture, processing, storing or offering or exposing for sale, to submit
11 to thorough examination by the department of public health, here-
12 inafter called the department, or by the local board of health to
13 ascertain whether or not he is afflicted with any contagious, infec-
14 tion, or other disease or physical ailment which might render such
15 employment detrimental to the public health, and whether or not,
16 in the opinion of the department, he is a carrier, so called, of such
17 a disease.